To: Peters, Carol[Peters.Carol@epa.gov]; Saunders, Jerry[Saunders.Jerry@epa.gov]

Cc: Garrett, Shellita[Garrett.Shellita@epa.gov]

From: Houston, Robert

**Sent:** Wed 8/12/2015 9:01:45 PM **Subject:** Re: medical clearance expiring

Unfortunately, I am not authorized for deployment to the Gold King Mine spill. Thanks.

Robert Houston

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From: Gomez, Kendra

Sent: Wednesday, August 12, 2015 2:52 PM

To: Houston, Robert

Cc: Nelson, Michael; Peters, Carol; Ecklund, Michael; Torres, Michael; Webster, Susan;

McFarland, Verne

Subject: RE: medical clearance expiring

Robert,

This is the first that I've heard that you are scheduled to deploy. Unfortunately, because your medical surveillance clearance will expire prior to your deployment, you will not meet your H&S requirements and therefore are not authorized to deploy in support of the Gold King Mine spill response.

I understand you're scheduled to see the FOH Nurse this Friday, August 14, 2015; however, you will still have to visit with the FOH Dr and receive your medical clearance before you are authorized to conduct field work. Because this will not happen by August 15<sup>th</sup>, you will be expired by the time you are set to deploy.

Again, the H&S Office does NOT authorize you to deploy in response to the Gold King Mine spill.

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From: Houston, Robert

Sent: Wednesday, August 12, 2015 12:52 PM

To: Gomez, Kendra

Cc: Nelson, Michael; Peters, Carol; Ecklund, Michael

Subject: RE: medical clearance expiring

Kendra,

I am scheduled for deployment to the Gold King Mine site on August 17 returning August 26. My medical monitoring is due soon and I have that scheduled for this Friday. Let me know if anything else is requested. Thank you.

Robert Houston

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From: Ecklund, Michael

Sent: Thursday, July 16, 2015 10:13 AM

To: Ecklund, Michael

**Cc:** Gomez, Kendra; Nelson, Michael **Subject:** medical clearance expiring

## Good morning all,

You are receiving this email because your medical clearance will expire the end of August. Due to the large number of personnel who are needing physicals, I am requesting that as many as are available to schedule these last two weeks in July so that we can complete all of you in time. Thanks for you cooperation.

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